IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of

Applicant : Steven G. Goebel Serial No. : 10/780,488 Filed : February 17, 2004

Title : FUEL CELL SHUTDOWN AND STARTUP USING A CATHODE

RECYCLE LOOP

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BOX RCE

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.114

This Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being filed in response to the Advisory Action mailed November 23, 2007, wherein claims 18 through 25, 28 and 29 were finally rejected, with claims 26 and 27 objected to. The Applicant includes payment in the amount of \$810.00 for payment of the large-entity RCE filing fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e). Reconsideration is respectfully requested in light of the amendments and remarks below.

Amendment to the Claims begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 9.